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REVERSE TRANSCRIPTASE CORRELATED WITH PHENOTYPIC DRUG RESISTANCE

Examiner: L. W. Z. Humphrey

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This amendment is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated May 11, 2010, for which a response was due August 11, 2010. Applicants include with this response a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for one month to extend the deadline to file this response to September 11, 2010. Accounting for the weekend date, this Amendment is timely filed September 13, 2010. Applicant also submits concurrently a request for continued examination (RCE) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.